

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Re the application of: Hermann Bujard et al.

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TETRACYCLINE-REGULATED TRANSCRIPTIONAL
REGULATORY SYSTEMS (as amended)*

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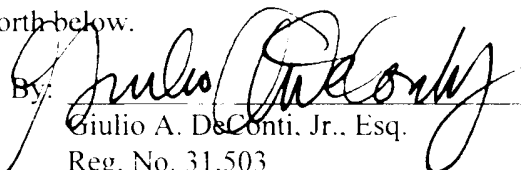
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: